



For Father

- A Pocket Knife
- A Razor, either Safety or Old Style
- A Fit-All Traveling Case
- Magazines by the copy or the year
- A Good Pipe or a Cigarette Holder
- A Reliable Fountain Pen



For Him

- A Meerschaum Pipe
- A Razor Set
- A Man's Box of Stationery
- A Leather Bill Book
- A Fit-All Traveling Case
- Military Brushes
- A Box of Good Cigars
- An Eversharp Pencil or a Fountain Pen
- A Calendar Set for his desk

XMAS GIFTS FOR ALL

YOU can find useful and appropriate gifts for every one at your local drug store—and all at moderate prices.

You will find your druggist a help in suggesting things to give, because he knows folks probably a little better than any one else.

The modern drug store is more than a pill and powder dispensary. It is the survival of the old time general store, thoroly modernized. It caters to the every day human needs in all the little refinements and luxuries of life as other stores do not. Chocolates and Bon Bons, Perfumer and Toilet Articles, Cigars and Smokers' Accessories are but a few of the things in which your druggist is a specialist.



For Brother

- A Good Pocket Knife
- A Long Range Flashlight for Hunting or Household Use
- A Box of Good Candy
- A Camera
- A Comb and Brush Set

*The Finest Chocolates
The Finest Perfumes and
The Finest Cigars
and Smokers' Accessories will
be found at your druggists
And these are but a few of the
specialties he stocks*



For Sister

- A Big Holiday Package of High Grade Chocolates
- A Manicure Set
- A Perfume, Toilet Water and Powder Set
- A Parisian Ivory Dressing Table Set or a Selected Item
- Kodaks and Albums



For Mother

- Stationery
- A Hot Water Bottle
- A Box of High Grade Candy
- Toilet Water
- Perfumes
- An Ebony or Parisian Ivory Brush, Mirror, Comb or Toilet Set
- A Sterno Outfit



For Baby

- A Doll Baby
- A Baby Toilet Set
- A Baby Rattle
- Baby Sets of Toilet Water, Soap and Powder

**THE APOTHECARY SHOP
THE ALBEMARLE PHARMACY**

**TRY THE
DRUG STORE
FIRST**

**THE STANDARD PHARMACY
THE CITY DRUG STORE**

MAKING WAR ON U. S. ARMY GOODS AND SUCH

Mr. Cooke Says Government Stuff Is Unsanitary and Carries Disease Germs

More animation entered into a discussion of soldiers uniforms at Monday night's meeting of the Board of Aldermen than was ever stirred up by any political group in Elizabeth City at any time during the war. The question involved was whether or not second hand clothing dealers be allowed to ply their trade in Elizabeth City, which in the opinion of the Retail Merchants' Association was unfair competition and detrimental to community welfare.

C. A. Cooke, representing the Merchants' Association, asked that the

requiring that dealers in second hand clothing be required to pay a tax of \$1,000 per annum, or any portion thereof. He pointed out that this ordinance as submitted by him would exempt articles sold at religious bazaars or by charitable organizations. Here is the ordinance prepared by P. G. Sawyer, attorney for the Merchants' Association, and submitted by Mr. Cooke for the City Fathers to adopt:

"Sec. 92. On each person, firm or corporation dealing in second hand clothing or other wearing apparel a license tax of One Thousand Dollars per annum or any part thereof; any person, firm or corporation violating the provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined Five Hundred Dollars."

Mr. Cooke contended that the Aldermen adopt this measure for two reasons. He argued that second hand army, or other goods were unsanitary and carried germs of disease; and that the sale of these goods was unfair competition to the merchants who carried new goods, as the army goods were second hand and therefore had no basic value. To which an employee of the U. S. Army and Navy Store replied that his merchandise was not second hand goods, but reclaimed goods disinfected and reissued by the government. At that point O. F. Gilbert raised the question as to what constituted second hand goods.

Mr. Gilbert's question being undecided, J. T. McCabe, President of the Merchants' Association, asked that the board adopt the ordinance on the grounds that persons selling second hand goods were unfair competitors, inasmuch as they came in town at the most prosperous season of the year, unloaded their goods in four or five months and left, carrying much money away from the community, to the detriment of merchants who remained here paying their taxes year after year.

Attorney W. L. Small was present as a representative of Moses Glasser, a Berkeley pawnbroker, who has opened a small store on Water Street. Mr. Small ridiculed Mr. Cooke, who sat in the General Assembly last year where a state law was passed levying a tax of \$40 on second hand dealers, and who now was trying to pass a local law over the heads of the General Assembly. Small showed testimonials from prominent Norfolk officials testifying to the reliability of Mr. Glasser and his goods, and pointing out that his client was no pack peddler but a citizen of high standing, who was worth over \$153,000, paying taxes of more than \$3,000. To which J. T. McCabe replied that no merchant in Elizabeth City had accumulated that much money.

The Board of Aldermen were disinclined to adopt the ordinance and got around taking action by referring it to the city attorney for an opinion as to its constitutionality. This means a postponement of the passage of the ordinance indefinitely.

The Aldermen are not anxious to pass the Cooke ordinance and most of them wish it had never come up. They find themselves caught between the pressure of the Retail Merchants' Association on the one hand and a suspicious public on the other. No matter how high the motives of the local merchants may appear to themselves, a skeptical public refuses to see anything in their move but a drive against cheap merchandise.

Elizabeth City is, unfortunately, a city in which cheap merchandise has been emphasized and advertisers have laid too little stress upon quality. The public, unconcerned about the local merchant, except when a donation is wanted for something, can't quite understand why this sudden drive against second hand clothing when every church in the city has carried on a second

A FELLOW CRAFTSMAN WHO IS NOT HOSTILE

Occasionally One Finds A Country Newspaper Man Big Enough to Recognize The Ability of Another

The following reprint is from an editorial from the pen of Carl Goersch, published in the New Bern (N. C.) Sun-Journal, issue of Friday, Dec. 2:

"Running a newspaper isn't always an ideal existence. Far from it.

"Take the cause of W. O. Saunders, of Elizabeth City, for example. Mr. Saunders was in New Bern yesterday on his way to Beaufort to attend a meeting of the Fisheries Board. He runs The Independent in Elizabeth City, a paper which is generally recognized as one of the best weekly papers in the country. And that's no flattery either.

"But tranquility and quiet are no features in Mr. Saunders' existence. He has been shot at several times for articles which he has published; he's seen the tar heated for his own coat of tar and feathers; he's been 'rocked' and made to participate in several fist-fights; he's been the recipient of numerous threatening letters and been informed on several occasions that he would be run out of town.

"Those are merely a few instances in his career. In the parlance of the day, he pounds a wicked typewriter and he doesn't care on whose toes he happens

to tread, providing he thinks himself in the right.

"He's come out of it all in fine shape, though, and has won for himself the respect and admiration of all the good citizens of Elizabeth City. He has made The Independent a power for good in Northeastern North Carolina and has accomplished many splendid results through his writings. His fame has extended to all parts of the state and to other states as well."

JACK IN THE BEANSTALK HADN'T SO MUCH ON HIM

This newspaper is in receipt of a letter from one of its old friends, Mr. T. C. Blanchard, of Hertford, whose prolific garden is a source of pleasure to the owner and of comment in the neighborhood. Mr. Blanchard says: "We are not much on large sweet potatoes, big pumpkins, or very large ears of corn, but when it comes to lima beans, we can compare with you. We raised this year in our little garden from 54 beans—142 quarts, 500 beans to the quart or a total of 71,000 beans, and frost caught five quarts on the vines."

Worth While Lives.
Life pays big dividends to those who hear and obey the immortal and immutable commandments of the Master of life. The broken man of forty is a misfit. His sins of omission and commission have found him out. He is to the rubbish heap. But men like our octogenarian disciples of work having earned the right to live, go on through the years confident and serene, realizing that life is worth while. They make it worth while for themselves and for multitudes of their fellow men.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Name Different's Applied.
The name "daddy longlegs" is applied in the United States to creatures closely related to spiders, while in England it is given to the crane flies.

Curious South-Sea Jargon.
Beech-la-mee is a curious jargon which has developed as a means of communication between English-speaking traders and the Islanders of the western Pacific. It derives its name from that of an edible marine organism, the fishing of which flourished in the South seas in the middle of the last century. Nearly all the words in this language are English, but they are strung together by the natives in accordance with the rules of their own speech.

No Topographical Formality.
With the exception of a few areas in the Cook Inlet region, the topography of Chugach forest in Alaska is exceedingly rugged, the mountains often rising abruptly from the sea. On Resurrection Bay the towering peaks seem to reach into heaven. The timber line is usually at an elevation of about 2,000 feet above the

A NEW MARKET

A place that will save you money is the new market on Parsonage Street, opened on December 1st. A market that has cut the high cost of living within the reach of every one.

We have a nice new store ready to serve the people with the best of meats that can be bought. We invite you to come and see the New Market and look over our new stocks. Compare our prices with others—we will convince you. Here are some of them:

BEEF STEAK		VEAL	
Round	25c	Cutlets	30c
Sirloin	25c	Steak	30c
Loin	25c	Stew	12 1/2c
Prime Rib	25c	Liver	25c
Liver	25c	Chops	25c
Chuck	20c	Roast	25c
Chuck Roast	20c	PORK	
Hamburger	20c	Steak	25c
Sausage	20c	Chops	25c
Frankfurters	20c	Roast	25c
Minced Ham	20c	Country Sparebones	25c
Stew Beef	10c	Country Sausage	30c
		New Corned Meat	15c
		New Corned Hams	25c
		Fresh Heads	5c
		Jowls	5c
		Corned Jowls or Heads	5c
		Pure Bayed Lard	15c

Call us for Breakfast Order. We are open from 6 a. m. to 8 p. m.

THE PEOPLE'S MARKET
PARSONAGE STREET. PHONE 748

CHATS WITH YOUR GAS MAN

The upper oven in your gas range is for baking and roasting; the lower oven is for broiling. The same burners heat both ovens—you can bake and broil at the same time with the same consumption of gas.

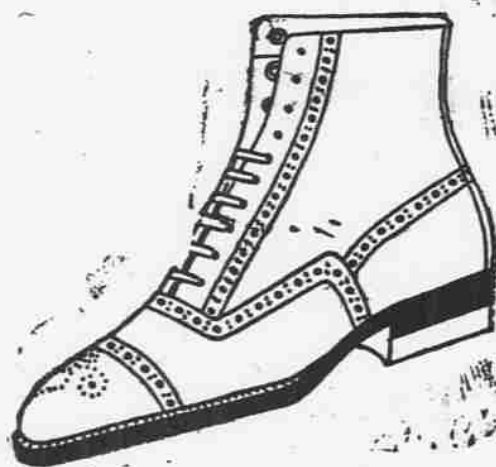
After use, the oven doors should be left partly open to permit free circulation of air while the oven is cooling. This will prevent your oven from rusting. A little oil (or grease in which there is no salt) applied with a brush or piece of soft cloth, will also prevent rust.

You can greatly prolong the usefulness of your gas range by keeping all parts clean of dust and grease and by going over them with a cloth and stove oil.

You need not remove the oven burners to clean them. You can go over them occasionally with a stiff brush. And if the holes to the air mixer or oven burners become clogged with dust or grease, clean them with a piece of wire.

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Here is a shoe of which we are particularly proud. It is a dark brown bogue, the correct shade and style for the season of 1921-22. You will recognize the excellence of quality, style and finish at a glance. It is a shoe you will find in many lines selling at \$10 and higher. And every pair equipped with Goodyear wing-foot rubber heels.

Our Price \$6.00

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